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Members of the Board of Public Safety  
Members of the Glens Falls Common Council  
Citizens of Glens Falls

It is my pleasure to submit to you the annual report of the Glens Falls Police Department for the year 2018. The Glens Falls Police Department had set three specific agency goals for 2018. These goals included increasing our DWI enforcement, developing a comprehensive Field Training Officer program, and training additional officers as instructors to increase our in-service training abilities.

In 2018 the department made 44 arrests for Driving while Intoxicated or Driving While Ability Impaired by drugs. We conducted 4 DWI road checks during specific crack down periods of 2018 and issued 59 traffic tickets during those road checks. Although we fell short of adding a Drug Recognition Expert to the ranks of the police department in 2018, we were able to provide Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement training to additional officers. This training is a pre-requisite to the Drug Recognition Expert program and adding a Drug Recognition Expert to the department still remains a top priority of the administration. With the continued increase in opioid abuse and the push to legalize marijuana the training of a Drug Recognition Expert will be an important and necessary addition to the department.

Another agency goal for 2018 was developing a more comprehensive field training officer program. Sergeant Miguel Chico was tapped to be in charge of the department's Field Training Officers and to develop our Field Training Manual. Sergeant Chico submitted the following as part of his summary of the field training program, "Field training has a significant impact on the individual trainee's attitude, style, values and ethics in carrying out the duties of a police officer. A Field Training Manual was developed to assist new officers in making the transition from what they learned in the academy to performing uniformed patrol duties competently in the field. The created manual documents the progress of the new recruit by documenting the progress and rating the recruit throughout their 12-week FTO program. The manual has assisted in providing standardized training, providing clear standards, and enhancing the professionalism and job skills of the new members of the department. The manual has been a great improvement for the Glens Falls Police Departments Field Training Program and has benefited not only the new recruits but the Field Training Officers and administration as well."



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The last goal to discuss for 2018 was the training of additional officers as instructor's in the areas of Breath Analysis Operator, RADAR, Reality Based Training, and Firearms. Although we were unable to meet this particular goal for 2018 the department was able to send two additional officers to an Instructor Development Course to assist in completing in-service training.

In 2018, the department responded to 13,726 calls for service. That is a decrease of 15% from 2017. We saw a 20% rise in felony drug arrests that can be directly associated to our officer's proactive approach to policing and the detective divisions efforts in narcotics investigations. We had an overall increase in the number of vehicle crash investigations and the number of parking tickets issued. There was a total of \$199,958 collected in fines from vehicle and traffic and parking tickets issued during 2018. The department emergency response members were activated on seven occasions in 2018 for incidents occurring throughout Warren County. K9's Phlash and Neeko were activated on twenty-five occasions during the year for narcotics searches, tracking searches, assisting other agencies, and to conduct demonstrations. Two important additions to the ranks of the department were the creation of a full-time school resource officer and an assistant chief of police.

The members of the Glens Falls Police Department continue to strive for excellence and are dedicated to residents of this city. We look forward to our opportunity of serving the residents and businesses as the City of Glens Falls continues to grow.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A.P.L." followed by "Lydon".

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## Glens Falls Police 2018 Annual Report

| Total Arrests:               | 2017        | 2018        |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Felonies                     | 269         | 225         |
| Misdemeanors (including DWI) | 692         | 509         |
| Violations                   | 278         | 198         |
| Warrants                     | 267         | 320         |
| Other                        | 274         | 223         |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>1780</b> | <b>1475</b> |

### Drug Arrests:

|              |            |            |
|--------------|------------|------------|
| Felonies     | 81         | 104        |
| Misdemeanors | 129        | 94         |
| Violations   | 159        | 104        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>369</b> | <b>302</b> |

### Vehicle and Traffic Enforcement:

|                         |       |       |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|
| Traffic Tickets         | 2,792 | 2,188 |
| DWI Arrests             | 44    | 44    |
| Alcohol Related Crashes |       | 11    |

### Parking Tickets:

|  |                  |                  |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Parking Tickets Written                | 3,547            | 5,163            |
| Fines Collected (Parking)              | \$58,150         | \$87,770         |
| Fines Collected (Criminal and Traffic) | \$120,637        | \$112,188        |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>\$178,787</b> | <b>\$199,958</b> |



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|  | 2017 | 2018 |
|--|------|------|
|--|------|------|

**Accidents Investigated:**

|                 |            |            |
|-----------------|------------|------------|
| Fatal           | 0          | 0          |
| Personal Injury | 64         | 76         |
| Property Damage | 467        | 488        |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>531</b> | <b>564</b> |

**Sex Offenders:**

|                                 |    |    |
|---------------------------------|----|----|
| Monitored by GFPD               | 67 | 64 |
| House Visits                    | 93 | 59 |
| Arrests for Failing to Register | 2  | 2  |

**Lockup Detentions:**

|               |     |     |
|---------------|-----|-----|
| Total Lockups | 629 | 501 |
|---------------|-----|-----|

**Electronic Intrusion Device Response:**

|              |     |     |
|--------------|-----|-----|
| Total Alarms | 511 | 499 |
|--------------|-----|-----|

**Property Checks:**

|        |     |     |
|--------|-----|-----|
| Visits | 517 | 344 |
|--------|-----|-----|

**Windows and Doors Found Open:**

|                         |    |    |
|-------------------------|----|----|
| Total found by Officers | 27 | 23 |
|-------------------------|----|----|



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**2017**

**2018**

**Lockouts:**

|                |     |     |
|----------------|-----|-----|
| Total Lockouts | 159 | 115 |
|----------------|-----|-----|

**Overtime:**

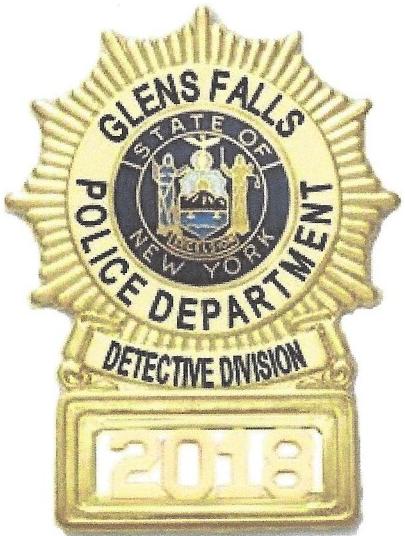
|             |       |       |
|-------------|-------|-------|
| Total Hours | 3,517 | 3,413 |
|-------------|-------|-------|

**Training:**

|             |       |       |
|-------------|-------|-------|
| Total Hours | 3,250 | 3,583 |
|-------------|-------|-------|



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**Glens Falls Police Department Detective Division  
Criminal Investigations  
2018 Report**

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The Glens Falls Police Department Detective Division was involved in a significant number of major crimes in 2018. The Glens Falls Police Detective Division aggressively investigated narcotics during 2018 and the results of those investigations are detailed in a separate report. This report will instead focus on the efforts of the detective division as it relates to other criminal activity that occurred in the city of Glens Falls. This report highlights the more high-profile work of the detective division, but is not an all-inclusive list of everything that was accomplished.

The detectives were involved in thirteen (13) burglary investigations during 2018. Of those investigations four (4) were closed by arrest. Seven (7) of the burglary cases remain open pending investigation and lab results and two (2) of the cases were closed by investigation (CBI).

The detectives were involved in one (1) robbery investigation. That investigation was closed as the victim declined prosecution and the case appeared to be motivated by drug related activity.

The detectives investigated fifteen (15) cases that involved some form of felony level larceny. Of those cases seven (7) cases were closed by arrest. Four (4) of the cases were closed by investigation and four (4) remain open and under investigation.

The Glens Falls Police Department was involved in twenty-four (24) death investigations in 2018 which the detective division oversaw. Of those death investigations the detective division was directly involved in seven (7) of them. Two (2) cases are suspected narcotic overdoses either intentionally or unintentionally. One (1) of the death investigations resulted in the arrest of two (2) subjects directly related to the death and two (2) subjects indirectly related to the investigation, but related to the case via narcotics activity.

The Glens Falls Police Department had thirty-four (34) reported sex crimes that were investigated with the detective division overseeing the cases. The detective division took the lead in twenty-nine (29) sex related crimes. These investigations include crimes with the victims ranging from children to adults. Of those investigations twenty-two (22) were closed by investigation, four (4) were closed by arrest with all four (4) of the arrests being felonies, and three (3) remain open investigations.

The detective division continues to be a resource for the Warren County Child Protective Services unit. Detectives work hand in hand with CPS in interviewing multiple children per year at the Care Center on Dix Avenue in Glens Falls. Home visits and interviews at school are also completed with a

detective and a case worker where children are suspected of being victims of physical and/or sexual abuse.

The detective division has closed multiple cases successfully by way of forensic investigation. The detective division currently has three certified evidence technicians. In 2018 the division processed a total of ten (10) crime scenes. Processed scenes include a range of building crime scenes, to recovered stolen vehicles, to items of evidence recovered by officers at the scene of a crime and transported to the station for evidence work. The detective division submitted evidence on twenty (20) different occasions to the New York State Police Forensics Investigation Center. A total of one hundred and eight seven (187) pieces of evidence were transported and submitted to the lab for various forms of processing and testing.

Another useful tool and important detail of the division's work is seeking and securing search warrants to advance criminal investigations. Warrants are requested from judges in both Glens Falls City Court and Warren County Court. Detectives obtained a total of forty-two (42) search warrants in 2018. They authorized a range of searches that included residences, vehicles, electronic devices, social media accounts and biological searches of persons.

In conclusion, the majority of the cases handled by the detective division continue to be linked to illegal drug activity. The division continues to work closely with the patrol division to solve crimes and assist with investigations.

2018 Notable Cases:

- A forty-one-year-old Glens Falls man was arrested for second-degree burglary, a felony, and misdemeanor counts of petit larceny when he entered a Glen Street residence when the resident was sleeping. He was indicted by a Warren County grand jury a short time later. The same subject was later charged with a burglary of a Glen Street office building for stealing money and food, based upon DNA found in the building after results from the NYS Police Crime Lab. In that case he was arrested for burglary third and petit larceny. The defendant was sentenced to seven (7) to fourteen (14) years in state prison.

- A twenty-five-year-old man from Warrensburg man was charged with third degree burglary for breaking into a Glens Falls business and stealing a small amount of cash. The suspect suffered a cut and left blood behind. Glens Falls detectives collected a sample of the blood and sent it to the NYS Police Lab for analysis. DNA results were a positive match for the suspect who was arrested. The suspect was currently on probation for another local burglary.

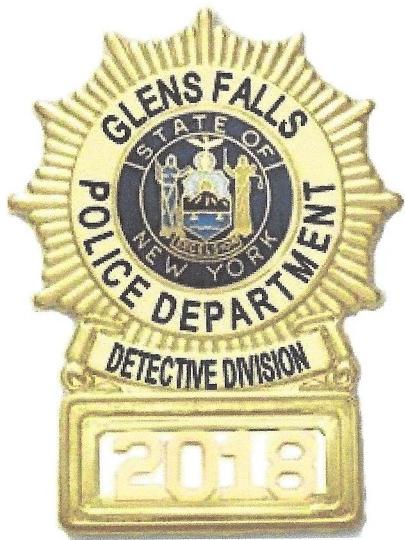
- DNA analysis also resulted in an arrest of a Glens Falls teenager who had stolen a car three years earlier. DNA had been recovered from the vehicle that was stolen from a repair shop in Glens Falls and sent to the crime lab for analysis. The results came back with a positive identification for the teen whose DNA was on file for guilty pleas to other crimes he had previously committed.

- Four subjects were arrested in a drug related fatal stabbing that occurred on Union Street in Glens Falls. Two teenagers were arrested in connection with the man's death. One was charged with second degree murder, first degree manslaughter, first degree assault, tampering with physical evidence and criminal possession of a controlled substance. The other teen was charged with first degree manslaughter, two felony assault charges and criminal possession of a controlled substance. The other two subjects were charged with criminal possession of controlled substances. Trial for the two teenagers arrested for the death is scheduled for later this year.

- A twenty-year-old Glens Falls man was arrested for rape first degree and endangering the welfare of a child when he had sex with a 12-year-old child in the woods at Haviland's Cove. The suspect was charged with first degree rape based upon the age of the victim. The man later plead guilty in Warren County Court and was sentenced to seven years in prison and ten years on parole.

- A store in Glens Falls was burglarized when the suspect broke the glass door in the front of the store and stole women's underwear inside. Detectives used social media for assistance in solving this case. A still photo was obtained from the video surveillance and the photo was shared on the police department's Facebook page. Family members contacted detectives and the twenty-four-year-old suspect was located and arrested for burglary third and petit larceny.

The Glens Falls Police Detective Division remains in daily contact with the patrol division and is committed to being a resource for the officers of the department, as well as to continue to serve the citizens of the city of Glens Falls.



**Glens Falls Police Department Detective Division  
Narcotics Investigations  
2018 Report**

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The Glens Falls Police Department's Detective Division was once again extremely busy conducting narcotics investigations, and working with other local agencies in an effort to reduce illicit narcotic activity. These investigations vary in nature and often involve elements of controlled narcotics buys, execution of search warrants

and traffic interdiction. The nature of illegal drug sales often times sees narcotics dealers move from one place to the next and ply their trade across several jurisdictions. As such, law enforcement is required to be able to adequately address this challenge by working closely with members of other law enforcement agencies. The Glens Falls Police Department worked closely this year with members of the New York State Police, police departments in the villages of Fort Edward and Hudson Falls and the sheriff's offices in Warren and Washington counties.

Communication amongst law enforcement agencies is extremely important. As important, but often overlooked, is communication within a law enforcement agency. The Glens Falls Police Department has made strides in recent years in making sure that officers at all levels, regardless of rank and responsibility, have the information that they need to do their job. 2018 saw another slight increase in the number of penal law controlled substance arrests at both the misdemeanor and felony level. The majority of the credit for this goes to the individual officers who go out each and every day to make narcotic enforcement and interdiction a point of emphasis of their daily routine.

A look at the raw numbers shows one hundred and nineteen (119) people were arrested by the Glens Falls Police Department following investigations into various misdemeanor and felony New York State Controlled Substance Penal Law arrests. Of those arrests the detectives made forty-four (44). This compares to 2017 in which there were one-hundred-eighteen (118) arrests, 2016 in which there were fifty-four (54) arrests, and 2015 in which there were sixty-one (61) arrests.

During the course of 2018 the Glens Falls Police Detective Division opened seventy-two (72) cases for the purpose of investigating allegations of narcotics sales and/or possession. These allegations of sales came from various sources ranging from anonymous civilian reports to confidential informants. Detectives currently have thirty-nine (39) open and active narcotics investigations.

The Glens Falls Police Department detective division was contacted in the earlier part of 2018 by an investigator from the New York State Attorney General's Office in reference to a narcotics case they had been investigating for nearly a year. The investigation involving undercover and covert operations reached illegal narcotics suspects living and dealing in the City of Glens Falls and surrounding areas. The investigator requested assistance from our agency with their case, which resulted in thirty (30) arrests on sealed indictments for felony narcotic sales, and conspiracy charges. Several of the arrests were executed in Glens Falls by our detective division.

In another incident a New York State Police narcotics investigator contacted the detective division about a large shipment of concentrated cannabis and other materials related to the production of concentrated cannabis products that were headed to Glens Falls. The detective division worked with the State Police in a controlled delivery of the large amount of products and oils. The suspect flew from California to meet his shipment of approximately \$7 million worth of materials through a private shipping company in Glens Falls. It is unknown what the final destination of these illegal materials was intended for. It was discovered that Glens Falls was going to be used as the distribution point for these materials.

Prescription drugs, cocaine and heroin remain the on the fore front of narcotics investigations. Ultimately the supply and demand are extremely high for cocaine and crack cocaine in the northern counties of New York State. Investigations completed by the detective division found that the involved drug was cocaine in twenty (20) cases, heroin in three (3) cases, various controlled prescription drugs in four (4) cases, Suboxone in six (6) cases, and concentrated cannabis in three (3) cases.

The Glens Falls Police Department Detective Division will continue to work closely with the Warren County Sheriff's Department, Washington County Sheriff's Department and the local agencies in Washington County, and the New York State Police in the upcoming year. Working together as a team we intend to once again aggressively target and investigate narcotics trafficking in 2019.



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### **2018 Electronic Control Device Report (Taser)**

From the period of January 2018 until December 2018 officers of the Glens Falls Police deployed the TASER ECD once. The following is a summary of the incident:

Officers responded to 333 Glen St. for a male subject that was threatening to jump from the top of the parking garage. The male subject was located on the top floor of the parking garage standing next to the wall. The responding officers were separated from the male subject by a metal gate and the male advised officers that if they made any attempt to get closer that he would jump. The officers continued to engage the male subject in conversation and convinced him to sit down on the ground. One officer continued in conversation with the male while the second officer deployed his Taser. The Taser probes struck the male subject on the upper torso and arm which incapacitated the male subject. The Taser was deployed for 3 seconds which was enough time for the officers to jump over the fence and secure the male in handcuffs. Upon a department review of the incident, it was determined that the officers involved followed department policy in the deployment of the Taser in this circumstance.



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**Glens Falls Police Roster**  
as of  
January 2, 2019

Chief Anthony Lydon  
Assistant Chief G. Joseph Boisclair  
Captain Michelle Arnold  
Detective Lieutenant Peter Casertino  
Patrol Lieutenant Shawn Lovelace  
Detective Sergeant Seth French  
Detective Sergeant Kyle Diamond  
Sergeant Carl Mattison  
Sergeant Jarred Smith  
Sergeant Miguel Chico  
Sergeant Gerald Willette  
Police Officer James Fiorini  
Police Officer John Norton  
Police Officer William Holmes  
Police Officer Zachary Flewelling  
Police Officer Andrew Mija  
Police Officer Desmond Lyons  
Police Officer Christopher Perilli  
Police Officer Kirsten Lunder  
Police Officer Donnie Long  
Police Officer Zachary Tanner  
Police Officer Bradley Murphy  
Police Officer Nathaniel Cross  
Police Officer Tyler Mello  
Police Officer Robert Foo  
Police Officer Samantha Smith  
Police Officer William Dawson  
Police Officer James Neal  
Police Officer Marc Barrett  
Police Officer Patrick Coyne

Traffic Control Assistant Anthony Mandy  
Secretary II Debbie Cameron



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**Glens Falls Police 2018 Drug Arrest Report**

| <b><u>Officer</u></b> | <b><u>Felony</u></b> | <b><u>Misd</u></b> | <b><u>Viol</u></b> | <b><u>Total</u></b> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Boisclair             | 71                   | 11                 | 1                  | 83                  |
| Casertino             | 1                    | 0                  | 0                  | 1                   |
| Lovelace              | 0                    | 0                  | 0                  | 0                   |
| French                | 9                    | 1                  | 2                  | 12                  |
| Diamond               | 4                    | 0                  | 0                  | 4                   |
| Mattison              | 0                    | 0                  | 0                  | 0                   |
| Chico                 | 0                    | 1                  | 0                  | 1                   |
| Willette              | 0                    | 2                  | 7                  | 9                   |
| Fiorini               | 0                    | 0                  | 1                  | 1                   |
| Norton                | 0                    | 0                  | 1                  | 1                   |
| Holmes                | 0                    | 2                  | 0                  | 2                   |
| Flewelling            | 0                    | 2                  | 5                  | 7                   |
| Perilli               | 14                   | 19                 | 16                 | 49                  |
| Lunder                | 0                    | 3                  | 2                  | 5                   |
| Long                  | 0                    | 8                  | 13                 | 21                  |
| Tanner                | 3                    | 26                 | 18                 | 47                  |
| Murphy                | 0                    | 2                  | 2                  | 4                   |
| Cross                 | 0                    | 3                  | 7                  | 10                  |
| Mello                 | 0                    | 3                  | 8                  | 11                  |
| Foo                   | 0                    | 5                  | 10                 | 15                  |
| Dawson                | 0                    | 0                  | 1                  | 1                   |
| Neal                  | 0                    | 0                  | 2                  | 2                   |
| Barrett               | 0                    | 4                  | 0                  | 4                   |
| Coyne                 | 2                    | 2                  | 6                  | 10                  |
| Macura                | 0                    | 0                  | 1                  | 1                   |
| Schaeffer             | 0                    | 0                  | 1                  | 1                   |
| <b>Totals</b>         | <b>104</b>           | <b>94</b>          | <b>104</b>         | <b>302</b>          |



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**Glens Falls Police 2018 Arrest Report**

| <b><u>Officer</u></b> | <b><u>Felony</u></b> | <b><u>Misd</u></b> | <b><u>Viol</u></b> | <b><u>War</u></b> | <b><u>Other</u></b> | <b><u>Total</u></b> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Boisclair             | 88                   | 23                 | 1                  | 0                 | 0                   | 112                 |
| Casertino             | 3                    | 7                  | 0                  | 3                 | 0                   | 13                  |
| French                | 21                   | 13                 | 2                  | 9                 | 0                   | 45                  |
| Diamond               | 12                   | 3                  | 0                  | 0                 | 0                   | 15                  |
| Mattison              | 0                    | 1                  | 0                  | 0                 | 0                   | 1                   |
| Chico                 | 0                    | 2                  | 0                  | 4                 | 0                   | 6                   |
| Willette              | 2                    | 9                  | 7                  | 1                 | 3                   | 22                  |
| Fiorini               | 2                    | 17                 | 8                  | 44                | 23                  | 94                  |
| Norton                | 1                    | 10                 | 6                  | 11                | 3                   | 31                  |
| Holmes                | 4                    | 17                 | 1                  | 18                | 15                  | 55                  |
| Flewelling            | 3                    | 23                 | 10                 | 15                | 12                  | 63                  |
| Mija                  | 0                    | 11                 | 7                  | 13                | 9                   | 40                  |
| Lyons                 | 7                    | 26                 | 3                  | 15                | 4                   | 55                  |
| Perilli               | 27                   | 46                 | 21                 | 40                | 22                  | 156                 |
| Lunder                | 8                    | 39                 | 12                 | 14                | 16                  | 89                  |
| Long                  | 7                    | 34                 | 21                 | 37                | 10                  | 109                 |
| Tanner                | 6                    | 56                 | 26                 | 21                | 9                   | 118                 |
| Murphy                | 6                    | 43                 | 11                 | 14                | 12                  | 86                  |
| Cross                 | 10                   | 26                 | 16                 | 5                 | 5                   | 62                  |
| Mello                 | 4                    | 22                 | 11                 | 16                | 22                  | 75                  |
| Foo                   | 5                    | 32                 | 17                 | 9                 | 17                  | 80                  |
| S. Smith              | 0                    | 6                  | 3                  | 6                 | 4                   | 19                  |
| Dawson                | 0                    | 1                  | 1                  | 1                 | 0                   | 3                   |
| Neal                  | 0                    | 0                  | 2                  | 0                 | 1                   | 3                   |
| Barrett               | 1                    | 14                 | 0                  | 4                 | 4                   | 23                  |
| Coyne                 | 3                    | 8                  | 9                  | 12                | 18                  | 50                  |
| Macura                | 5                    | 13                 | 1                  | 5                 | 9                   | 33                  |
| Schaeffer             | 0                    | 7                  | 2                  | 3                 | 5                   | 17                  |
| <b>Totals</b>         | <b>225</b>           | <b>509</b>         | <b>198</b>         | <b>320</b>        | <b>223</b>          | <b>1,475</b>        |



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